

This AYHSC Monthly Meeting was held on September 7th, 2017 at 5:30 pm at the Whittemore Robbins House.

Staff Present: Ivy Laplante, Karen Dillon

Members Present: Carlene Newell, Matthew Janger, Christy Kiernan, Kathy Hirsch, Colleen Leger, Galen Ziaggi, Sarah Burd, Mike Leach, Carlene Newell, Cindy Bouvier, Joe Curro, Olivia Graceffa & Megan Laurendeau

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Introductions, Accept Minutes of the June Meeting	Student advisors and sector representatives all introduced themselves and shared their respective roles in the Arlington community. Karen moved to approve the June meeting minutes, Carlene seconded. All present approved the June meeting minutes.	Ivy will publish June minutes on town website.
Student Coalition Updates	Town Day: Students will be participating and working a shift at our booth. New Members: We recruited 6 new students from AHS.	Karen will coordinate student volunteers for town day on 9/16.
Committee Updates:	We are in the process of forming two new committees: Parent Advisory & Outreach	Karen is interviewing interested people.
SAP-C (Substance Abuse Prevention Collaborative) Grant Updates	SAPC Cluster is continuing to meet and currently examining the procedures and schedule for compliance check policies in Arlington and neighboring communities.	Ivy will continue to keep AYHSC informed of action steps.
Special Presentation	AYHSC has a Co-op student from Northeastern University, Galen Ziaggi. Galen is working on a social norming campaign and focusing on the AHS athletic community. Galen presented the statistics of use in Arlington for alcohol, marijuana, prescription drugs and tobacco and compared our use rates to state and national statistics. Tobacco: Arlington use is decreased and well below the national average. Alcohol: rates remain steady after a slight increase in 2013 Marijuana: Use also increased in 2013 but is now down to 21% recent users Prescription drugs: Arlington is well below the 5% national average of use. Galen is using a poster campaign from Hobart	Ivy and Cindy Bouvier will present YRBS 2017 data to School Committee on 9/28.

	and Smith College as a model to create a poster campaign for Arlington athletes. The campaign emphasizes positive social trends.	
Coalition Collaborative Project	<p>Strategic Intervention Planning: Alcohol</p> <p>Attendees broke up into pairs. Each pair received a local condition that contributes to underage use of alcohol. For example: <i>Parents allow youth to attend house parties around celebrations (Halloween, Graduation) where youth alcohol use is allowed.</i></p> <p>Questions that the pairs responded to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who is impacted directly and indirectly? • Who is participating in the behavior? • Who is sponsoring the behavior? • Who is responsible for the location? • Who has enforcement jurisdiction? • Who will be responsible for providing consequences? • What “big P” policies or “little p” policies or procedures are impacted? <p>Pairs reported their results of their analysis.</p> <p>Conversation/ideas included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Training liquor retailers on best standard practices as a requirement by the Selectmen before license renewal or recertification -Rewarding stores when fake IDs are confiscated. - Set up a compliance check for stores that deliver alcohol. - Continuing best practices (sticker shock etc..) - Examining MIAA rules and policies for students caught drinking, reporting needs to change. <p>Coalition took a vote and decided to focus on the local condition: youth access to alcohol by adults.</p>	Galen to examine neighboring town's policies.
Project Updates	<p>Lahey Grant: AYHSC applied for a grant to expand outreach and youth access to treatment services available at the high school and AYCC.</p> <p>Symmes Grant: AYHSC (collaboration with APS FACS department) applied for funding from the Symmes Foundation to implement the LifeSkills curriculum at the middle school. FACS teachers would facilitate the training. ACHS students suggested that a respected teacher would make a good presenter.</p>	OMS teachers and Karen will attend an online training for LifeSkills on 9/13.
Policy Updates		

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

The next Coalition meeting will be held on Thursday, October 5th, 2017 at 5:30pm in the Whittemore Robbins House.